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Good Night.

Good staur! award so often said, The beedless mind forgots its meaning; 'Tis only when some heart lies dead On which our own was leaning,

"We hear in maddening music roll, That last "good night" along the soul. Good night!-In tones that never die It peals along the quickening car; And telrifer gales of memory

Porover waft it near, When stilled the voice—O crush of pain!— That ne'er shall breathe "good night" again.

Good night! it mocks us from the grave-It overleaps that strong world's bound From whence there flows no backward wave-It calls from out the ground, On every side, around, above,

Good night," "good night," to life and love! "Good night! O, wherefore fades away"

The light that lived in that dear word? Why follows that good night no day? Why are our souls so wirred? O, rather say, dull brain, once more, "Good night! thy time of toll is o'er!" Good night!-now comoth gentle sluops

And tears that fell like gentle rain, Good night! O, holy blest and deep, The rest that follows pain. How should we reach God's apportight if Life's long day had no "good night."

THE BOY HEROES.

When Kentucky was an infant State, and him silent. of the Green River an old hunter by the name of John Slater. His hut was upon the southern bank of the stream, and save the southern bank of the stream, and save a small patch of some dozen acres that had been cleared by his own axe, he was shut the southern bank of the stream, and save the dogs.—

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ling for the night. John Slater was not the man to refuse a request of that kind, and have qualled. The dogs growled as they asked the strangers in. They sat their rifles behind the door, unslung their packs, strangers heard them, they thought the and room was made for them at the supper poor animals were growling over the repast table. They represented themselves as they had found. travelers bound farther West, intending to eross the Mississippi in search of a settle-

The new comers were far from being agreeable or pre-possessing in their looks, but Slater took no notice of the circumstance, for he was not one to doubt any man. The boys, however, did not like their appearance at all, and quick glances which they gave each other, told their feelings. The hunter's wife was not at the table, but she sat in her great easy chair by

Slater entered into conversation with the guests, but they were not very free, and after a while the talk dwindled to occasional questions. Philip, the elder of the two, noticed that the men cast uneasy glances about the room, and he watched them narrowly. His fears had become excited and he could not rest. He knew that his father had a large sum of money in the After the supper was over, the boys easily take care of them.

quickly cleared off the table, and then they went out of doors. It had become dark, of the villains. or rather the night had fairly set in, for shining down upon the forest.

'Daniel,' said Philip, in a low whisper, at the same time casting a look over his

'I'm afraid they're bad ones,' returned the younger boy.

father's money. Didn't you notice how you go.'

tell us we were perfect scare-crows.' But we can watch them.'

them know it.

At length, however, the old man signi-fied his intention of retiring and arose to go through his brain.

room below it, and in the opposite end difficulty the animals were called off, and from the sleeping apartment of the hunter, the two men were lifted to a seat. There

hour had passed away, and they could held his arms out to his sons. flesh to the dogs. Then he went to his bed joyous, holy pride.

At first the boys thought that this might be thrown to the dogs only to distract their attention; but when the dogs only to distract their attention; but when the man lay down, the idea of poison flashed through Philip's

with him, but she had been for several Philip opened the window without movyears an almost helpless cripple from the ing from the bed, and it swung upon its the little hands unclasped, and a look of did."

Thing epened the window without moveless the paying the penalty of "doing as the rest the "six-year old" at the foot of the class. leathern hinges without noise. Then he agony and wonder met the mother's eye as It was early in the spring and the old threw off the sheet and tied the corner of hunter had just returned from Columbia. it to the staple by which the window was where he had been to carry the produce of the winter's labor which consisted mostly. The sheet was then lowered on the lips of the kneeling child—"I cannot pray for father any more!" Since her little winter's labor which consisted mostly. the winter's labor which consisted mostly the outside, and carefully the brave boy let of furs. He had received quite a sum of himself out upon it. He enjoined his brothmoney, and had brought it home with him. er not to move, and then slid noislessly The old man had for several years been ac- down. The hounds had just found the cumulating money, for civilization was meat, and they drew back at their young gradually approaching him, and he meant master's beek, and Philip gathered the that his children should start on fair terms fleshall up. He easily quieted the faithful brutes, and then he quickly tied the ment One evening just as the family were sit- up in the sheet. There was a light ladder ting down to their frugal supper, they were standing near the dog-house, and setting attracted by a sudden howling of the dogs, this up against the building, Philip made and as Slater went to the door to see what his way back to his little left, and when was the matter, he saw three men approach- once safely there he pulled the sheet in af-

He quickly quieted the dogs and the strangers had not been aroused, and strangers approached the door. They ask-with a beating heart the boy thanked God. ed for something to eat, and also for lodg- He had performed an act, simple as it may appear, at which many a stout heart would

At length the hounds ceased their noise. nearly midnight when the men moved a-

·We'll kill the old man and the woman house, and his first thought was that these the money. If those little brats up there men were there for the purpose of robbery. (pointing to the scaffold,) wake up, we can

there was a bright moon, two-thirds full young ones first; they may make a noise ning. and start the old man up.

Philip's heart beat with horror. and throw it open-it isn't fastened! O,

So did I. If we should tell father what crept to the head of the scaffold. Two of ment, and with a traitor's ignominious ten years to the average of human life, and a decline. we think, he would only laugh at us, and the villains were just approaching the door death, to be the teacher of children in save many a broken heart, and broken forcandle down on the floor, so that its light her cruel laws, she transposed their brain of Health. 'Yes, we will watch 'em, but do not let would fall into the bed-room as the door from the intellectual fore-head to the aniwas opened. Philip drew the hammer of malhind-head. False religions have dwarf-The boys held some further consultation, his rifle back, and rested the muzzle upon ed the hearts of men in an equal degree by clergyman in New Hamsphire noted for and then going to the dog house, they set the edge of the boards. One of the men their bloody rites and the shriveling terrors his long sermons and indolent habits. the small door back, so that the hounds had his hand upon the latch. The boy of superstition. Such, hitherto, has been 'How is it,' said a man to his neighbor, might spring forth if they were wanted .- hero uttered a single word of heart-felt the current history of the world. Such is 'that Parson ---, the laziest man living

out of doors, to see the state of affairs with- For an instant the two remaining vilout. The three followed him, but they lains were confounded, but they quickly did not take their weapons! The old lady comprehended the nature and position o was asleep in the chair. their enemy, and they sprang for the lad-'Now,' whispered Philip, 'let's take two der. They did not reach it however, for want them. We are as good as men with open and the hounds, four in number, their pockets behind the great stove chim- just as the old hunter came from his room. ney, and then hastened back and emptied 'Help us! help! father,' cried Philip, as he the priming from the stranger's rifles, and hurried down the ladder. I've shot one of the priming from the stranger's rilles, and hurried down the mader. They are marderers! robbers!—
their father and the stranger returned, they them! They are marderers! robbers!—
Hold 'em! hold 'em!' the boy continued, The hunter's cabin was divided into two clapping his hands to the dogs. Old Slaing, reaching only half way over the large were incapable of relistance. With much

Some spare bedding was spread on the rested a moment upon the body of him ing," as though you felt happy, and it allowed to play with them. floor of the kitchen for the travelers, and who had been shot, and then turned upon will work admirably in the heart of your after everything had been arranged for the boys. Philip told him all that had their comfort, the boys went up to their happened. It seemed some time before bed, and the old man retired to his little the old hunter could crowd the whole teeming truth into his mind; but as he gradual-The two boys thought not of sleep, or if ly comprehended it all, a soft, grateful, they did, it was only to avoid it. Halfan proud light broke over his features, and he

pieces of raw meat by the rays of the moon, his boys in silence; while tears of love and afflicted resigned—at exceedingly cheap and moving toward the window, he shov- gratitude rolled down his cheeks, and his ed the sash back and threw the pieces of whole face was lighted up with the most

What parent, on reading the annexed exmind. He whispered his thoughts to his tract, can fail to reflect on the lesson it brother. The first impulse of little Daniel, suggests? How important that, when the as he heard that his poor dogs were to be parent has departed, the example left be poisoned, was to cry out, but a sudden hind them may be such as the child can be pressure from the hand of his brother kept thankful for. To watch for and train the budding thoughts of an artless child, is before the foot of civilization had trodden her gfant forests, there lived upon a branch dark window, or small square door, and as

and Daniel-the former fourteen, and the father's life might be in his hands. This pray for cars through the coming night; as usual, came the earnest 'God bless dear mother, and,"-but the prayer was stilled; the word of hopeless sorrow burst from tle lips had been able to form the dear name, she had prayed for a blessing upon t; had followed close after mother's name, for he said that must come first; and now to say the familiar prayer and leave her father out! No wonder that the new thought seemed too much for the childish mind to receive.

> I waited for some moments, that she might conquer her emotion, and then urged her to go on. Her pleading eyes met mine, and with a full heart, too much almost for utterance, she said-'Oh, mother, I cannot leave him ult; let me say thank God that I had a dear father once! so I can still go on and keep him in my prayers.'-And so she always does, and my stricken heart learned a lesson from the loving in-God for mercies past as well as to ask for blessings for the future.

How to Conquer Suffering .-- I have thought that by analyzing a pain, I have been able to find an element of pleasure in and all was quiet. An hour passed away, it. I have thought too, that by looking a and so did another. It must have been pain fully in the face, and comprehending it, I have diminished its intensity. Dis gain, and the lad, Philip, saw the rays of a tinet perception, instead of aggravating decandle flash up through the cracks of the creases evil. This I have found when floor on which stood his bed. He would reading accounts of terrible accidents, which have moved to the crack where he could have at first made me shudder. By takpeop down, but at that moment he heard a ing them to pieces, and conceiving each man upon the ladder. He uttered a quick part distinctly, I have been able to think of whisper to his brother, and they lay per-fectly still. The man came to the ladder, pass through them. Sympathy increasand held his light up so he could look up- es by the process, but not fear. The on the boys. The fellow seemed to be sympathy weakens the fear; but this is not perfectly satisfied that they were asleep, the whole explanation. The soul, by refor he soon returned to the ground floor, a sisting the first shudder, and by placing then Philip crept to the crack. He saw itself near the terrible, through an act of the men take knives, and he heard them the will putsforth energies which reveal it to itself, and makes it conscious of something within, mightier than suffering. The first,' said one of them, 'then we'll hunt power of distinct knowledge in giving courage I have never seen insisted on, and yet it is a part of my experience. The unknown, the vague, the dark, what imag-But we must kill them all, said another ination invests with infinity-this terrifies; and the remark applies not to phys-'Yes,' returned the speaker, but the ical evil alone, but to all other .- Chan-

Cheap Pleasures.

Did you ever study the cheapness of pleasure? Do you know how little it takes stated by Professor Mapes, at a recent to make a man happy? Such trifles as a meeting of the Farmer's Clob at Louisville. penny or a smile do the work. There are two or three boys passing along—give them each a chestnut, and how smiling time. A poor widow lives in the neighrifles.'

Sprang into the house. With a deep, wild borhood who is the mother of a half a are annually grown, 12,000,000 bushels of dozen children—send them half a peck of rye, 150,000,000 bushels of oats, 5,000, possible the boys slipped two rifles from and they had drawn them upon the floor sweet apples, and they will all be happy. sweet apples, and they will all be happy.

A child has lost his arrow—a word to him and he mourns sadly; help him to find it, or make him another, and how quighly will the sunshine play upon I is sober face. A boy has as much as he can do to pile up apartments on the ground floor, one of them in the end of the building being the old man's sleeping room, and the other the toom in which the company at present sat.

Overhead there was a sort of scaffold—

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O a load of wood-assist him a few moments, ly injured a piece of work; say "you scoun- the introduction of visiting eards into the drel, and he feels miserable—remark "I mouth. They all recovered although the am sorry," and he will try to do better from the sleeping apartment of the hunter.

A rough ladder led up the scaffold, and on was no need of binding them, for they and speak a pleasant word to him and he in the manufacture of cards—in the enit, close up to the end, was the boys bed.—
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The edge of this bad Scaffolding, but it was all open to the room After they had been looked to, the old and gladness. As you pass along the street are capable of producing serious sickness, man cast his eyes about the room. They you meet a familiar face-say "Good morn- and even death. Children should not be

ed silently to where he could peep down through a crack, and saw one of the men had such hearts."

Consider the trown those below. I had peep down you for this. O! I dreamed not that you of business congregate, in our families and everywhere. We can make the wretched everywhere. We can make the wretched open his pack, from which he took several For a long time the old man gazed on happy—the discontented cheerful—the Who will refuse to do it.

"I Did as the Rest did."

This tame, yielding spirit—this do-ing "as the rest did"—has ruined thou-

A young man is invited by vicious companions to visit the theatre, or the gambling room, or other haunts of licentious-He becomes dissipated, spends his time, looses his credit, spends his property, and at last sinks into an untimely grave. What ruined him? Simply doing "as the

A father has a family of sons. He is wealthy. Other children in the same situation of life do so and so-are indulged in this and that. He indulges his own in the same way. They grow up idlers, triflers, and fops. The father wonders why his children do not succeed better. He has spent so much money on their educa-

The poor mother strives hard to bring up her daughters genteelly. They learn said he, with a most provoking grin. what others do, to paint, to sing, to play. to dance, and several other useful matters. In time they marry; their husbands are unable to support their extravagance, and they are soon reduced to poverty and wretchedness. The good woman is astonished. "Truly" says she, "I did as the

The sinner following the example of othprepare for death. He passes along fatal blow. He has no time left now to prepare. And he goes down to destruction, because he is so foolish as to "do as the

THE OLDEST INHABITANT OF CLEVELAND DEAD .- Mr. Benjamin Jones, the oldest settler in Cleveland, died says the Herald, on genuity of my child. Remember to thank Monday. The cause of his death was one of those slight accidents, the fatal results warm hues, and exhaling sweet odors; but of which are sources of wonders to all but without it, it is a black desert covered with the surgeon. He ran a small splinter into ashes. the flesh of his finger, the inflamation of which, extending to his lungs, terminated his life! Mr. Jones was seventy-six years thing of that worth, that for it I should so 1804, at a place near his late residence and was then the only inhabitant of the district now embraced in that county. He assisted in raising the first frame house in Cleveland, and the first church in Euclid. He was a great hunter, and his venison was eaten, in the earlier years of his residence there, with corn raised in holes dug with-

out ploughing. His aged wife, three sons and several daughters survive him, all worthy members of society.

Thus, one by one, are passing away the hardy pioneers from whose energy, endurance and virtue sprang Western great-

OUT-Doon Exercise .- It is owing mainly, to their delight in out-door exercise, that the elevated classes in England reach a patriarchal age, notwithstanding their habits of high living of late hours, of wine drinking, and many other health-destroying agencies; the death of their generals, their lords, their earls and their dukes, are chronicled almost every week, at 70 80 90 EFFECTS OF TYRANNY .- A wicked gov- years; it is because they will be on horse- in Israel, a Canaanite; in us, Temptation. ernment makes agony epidemie in space back, the most elegant, rational and accom-Down the ladder outside! quick! he and chronic in duration. It strikes a blow plished of all forms of mere exercise, both shoulder, 'what do you think of these 'ere whispered to his brother, 'Down, and that stans humanity for ages. Napoleon for sons and daughters. But the whole start up the dogs! Run for the front door shortened the average stature of French- eredit of longevity to these classes, must men two inches, by selecting all the taller not be given to their love of field sports; it do let the dogs in the house; be quick as of his thirty millions of subjects and kil- must be divided with the other not less 'So am I. I believe they mean to steal you can! I'll look out for father whilst ling them in war. The British govern- characteristic traits of an English nobleman ment lowered the forehead of the Irish -he will take the world easy; and could Daniel quickly crawled out through the Catholic peasantry two inches, by making we, as a people, persuade ourselves to do little window, and Philip seized a rifle and it an office punishable with fine, imprison the same thing habitually, it would add of his father's room. They had set the school; and by the cruel administration of tune and broken constitution .- Hall's Jour.

If they had desired to speak to their father about their suspicious, they had no chance, for the strangers sat by him all evening.

Here untered a single word of heart-felt the current history of the world. Such is the condition, to-day, of the far greater portion of the world.—Mann's Inaugural said the other, the probably gets to writing and is too hazy to stop."

&c .- The Louisville Journal says it was that, "the value of live stock of the United States at this time is not less than \$600,-000,000, and this will be increased by an increase of the grass and grain crops .-More than 120,000,000 bushels of wheat

VALUE OF AMERICAN PRODUCE, CATTLE,

000 bushels of barley, 9,000,000 bushels of buck wheat; 320,000,000 pounds of butter, are made, 105,000,000 pounds of cheese, and 14,000,000 tons of lay. These estimates do not include Indian corn, po tatoes, beans, fruits, tobacco, and various other products equalling in value those we

Potsoning of Visiting Cards,-In a recent journal we have observed reports of four cases of poisoning in children, by

SAD STATE OF AFFAIRS .- Chicago has Pleasure is cheap-who will not bestow been infested with a gang of javenile robt liberally? If there are smiles, sunshine bers. These boys, it appears, are the or and flowers all about, let us not grasp phan children of persons who had died duthem with a miser's fist, and lock them up ring the summer of cholera. They were in our hearts. No. Rather let us take regularly organized, had their chief, their hear their father snore. They heard a movement from those below. Philip crawl- clasped them to his bosom. 'God bless children in the crowded mart, where men a sang froid which indicated an entire indifthem and scatter them about us-in the signal, rendezvous, &c., and appeared to

The Humbolt (Cal.) Times tells of a tree in that country which furnished lumber enough to build two two story

sweet in the following epigram on Slumber from the Italian:

"Sweet is slumber-it is life Without its sorrow, sin or sighing-Death without the feneful strife, The mortal agony of dying."

A man will be what his most cherished erosity, every feeling will be enriched by his own spirit will absorb the poison; and met Sophie and thus addressed her. he will crawl among men as a burnished Believe me my dear child, I had no inadder, whose life is misehief, and whose tention to insult you, and I greatly regret by her own preferences, and her own will,

has given them great advantages; be reading of the curious skin of an ele and trouble. Poor man, he is just skin," he asked. "I have!" shouted a lit-

> shouted by travellers in Indiana when a quits." mid the grass of the prairies he heard voic-

Man is but a little thing in the midst of ers, puts off repentance, and neglects to ty radiating from his countenance he may abolish all considerations of magnitude, and through life till, unawares, death stikes the in his manners equal to the majesty of the world .- Emerson.

The briefest charge to a jury in an action trial, was given by one of the courts. It was as follows: "Gentlemen, if you believe all the testimony in the case, your before the Mayor. verdict should be for the plaintiff." Withlove, the heart becomes a fair and

fertile garden, glowing with sunshine and If you are disquieted at anything, you

should consider with yourself, is the

of age; he settled in Cuyhoga county in disturb myself and lose my peace and tranquility. It is a law which God himself has made

A truth which one has never heard causes the soul surprise at first which touches it keenly; but when it is accustomed to it

becomes insensible thereto. Some slanderers assert that paper ma ers are the greatest magicians of the age, inasmuch as they transfer beggars' rags

into sheets for political editors to lieon. Boasting seldom or never accompanies a sense of real power. When men feel that they can express themselves by deeds they do not often care to do so by words.

Be always frank and true; spurn every sort of affectation and disguise. Have the courage to confess your ignorance and awkwardness. Confide your faults to but few. Something must be left as a test of the oyalty of the heart-in Paradise a Tree:

Why is a man with a bad memory numerous lights he saw. covetous? Because he is continually for-

A HIT AT LONG DRESSES .- Long words like long dresses, frequently hide some thing wrong about the understanding. The man who "lives on other people's

Always watch the individual that is ex- Union. ceedingly polite to you without some appa-

Dr. Franklin used to say that rich widows were the only piece of second hand goods that sold at prime cost. Be calm and steady; nothing will

grow under a moving harrow. The man who was within hailing dis tance got out last evening.

The Harvest Llymn.

God of the rolling year! to Thee Our song shall rise; whose bounty pours, In many a goodly gift, with free And liberal band, our autumn stores; No firstlings of our finels we alog, No souring clouds of incense rise But on thy halfowed shrine we may Our grateful hearts in sacrifice

Borne on thy breath, the lap of spring Was beared with many ablooming flower; And smiling sommerfored to bring The exception and the gentle shower; And autumn's rich laxuriance now, The ripening seed, the bursting shell, The golden shouf and taden bough, The fullness of thy bounty tell

No mental throng, to princely dumo, Here wait a fitted ford's beheat, But many a fair and peaceful home If the won thy peaceful dove a guest; No groves or pains or fields adorn, No myrtle shades or orange bowers, But rustling meads of golden corn. And fields of waving grain are ours. Sale in thy care the landscape o'er, Our florks and herds accurally stray,

No tyrant master claims our store, No ruthless robber rends aways No filter reteaso's withring shower, No fell simoon, with poisonous, breath Nor barning sons with buleful power, Awake the fory plagues of death.

And here shall rise our song to Three, Where tengthened vale and pastures lie, And streams go singing wild and free, Buseath a lifes and smiling slig-Whore no 'er was reared a mortal throng, Where erowned oppressors nover trod, Here, at the throne of Heaven done,

play cards-one of them-Antoine ter named Sophie. The other—Philippe
—was ten years younger than his friend——Shakspeare says—"Conversation should be fortune.

houses, each fifty feet square, furnishing all the tinther, plank, boards and shingles, necessary for the purpose.

It has somewhat attached to his title fortune, although Philippe was well preserved, notwithstanding he had reached a certain age. However, their marmust have been a charming conversation. There is something true, funciful and its celebrations drew near, Philippe be- conversation, that "it too fairly lifted her gan to grow cool, and and when the par- off her seat"-a powerful kind of discourse ties came before the civil authority who was we should say, and scarcely proper to a to tie the nuptial knot, he replied with a dutchess .- Loston Post: strongly accented 'No,' when asked if he would take Sophie to be his wife.

As may be well supposed, the anger of Antoine was very violent, and Sophie was feelings are. If he encourage a noble gen- greatly distressed, and the consequence was that the evening card party was broken t; if he nurse hitter and evenomed thoughts up. At the end of some weeks, Philippe

the breaking up of our friendship and the A country Schoolmaster happening to Antoine forget the insult he thinks I have card parties; but how shall I make Pere put upon him. I assure myself with it every day.'

'I think,' replied Sophie, 'that I can discover a means. Go and speak to my fathboy's earnestness. "On the elephant," er; say you repent of what you have done; and that you are willing to marry me, and fix upon an early day for the wedding, and Hoosier is said to be an abreviation of when we come before the Mayor, I will in 'who's here,' a question which used to be my turn say 'No,' and we shall be man just getting into his carriage, with

Charmed with the idea of so cheaply es or saw the smoke of a cabin but could recovering the means of pursueing his eling coal into his vault! favorite recreation of cards, Philippe objects of nature, yet by the moral quali- asked all sorts of pardons, and begged riage-for nothing else could have preventter before the Mayor as soon as possi- from making money."

After some hesitation, the old man showto his future son-in-law.

Sophie, and Antoine presented themselves you ever made a dollar in your life. 'Philippe-,' said the Mayor, 'do

Sophie here present? Yes,' replied Philippe. 'And you, Sophie-

Philippe? 'Yes monsieur,' replied the young maiden, loudly and firmly.

The deceitful bridegroom was fairly that the arrow which is shot from the per- that was played upon him. He passed his to have his lodging gratis. secutor's bow, shall rebound and pierce days happily—played cards every evening with his father-in-law, and lived to be himself the father of a happy family of children .- Courier des Etats Unis.

> Her Britannie Majesty's exploring ship gatherer! Plover arrived at San Francisco a short time since from the Polar sea, where she had been ice-bound since 1847.

When she left San Fracisco, some years ago, it was a mere trading station, resorted to by a few vessels in pursuit of hides, and the town or place contained only a few abode houses. The captain and crew of the Plover expected to see the same San Francisco in 1854 that they left in 1847. The captain therefore, sailed into the bay without a pilot and approached the city in

When he awoke from his dream of seven years the next morning, he found a he does not like. noble city occupying the site of the ancient San Francisco. He had known nothing of breath smelt. She said, 'yes.' He bit her the Mexican war, and cession of California to the United States, and the many other great events that had taken place in places for a flatterer. Atlast he called failings," appears to be rapidly going into during the time he had been looked up in for the fox and asked him. "Truly,' said the frozen region of the North .- Roch.

> One great reason why men practice enerosity so little in the world is, their finding so little there: generosity is catching; and if so many escape it, it is, in a great degree, from the same reason that countrymen escape the small pox-because they meet no one to give it to them.

Bo Oft expectation fails, and most oft where it most promises.

Intetesting Experiment. Two hundred pounds of earth were dried in an oven, and afterwards put into a large earthen vessel; the vessel was then moistened with soft water and a willow tree, weighing five pounds, was placed therein. During the space of five years the earth was carefully moistened with rain water or pure water. The willow grew and flourished; and to prevent the earth being mixed with fresh earth, or dust blown into by winds it was covered with a metal plate, perfora-ted with a great number of holes, suitable for free admission of pure air only. After growing in the earth for five years, the willow tree was removed, and found to weigh one hundred and six y-nine pounds and a-bout three ounces. The leaves which fell from the tree every autumn were not included in this weight. The earth was then removed from the vessel, again dried in the oven, and afterwards weighed; it was discovered to have lost only about two ounces of its original we ight. Thus one hundred and sixty-four pounds of lignin or woody fibre; bark, etc., were certainly pro-

duced from the sir. Convensation.—Anybody can talk—who has the usual organs of speech—but to converse is a different thing, and to converse well a very high and rare accomplishment. Conversation as one may see by the etymology of the word, supposes at least two parties to the discourse, and requires s, listener as well as a talker. Johnson and Yes on No.—Two Normon peasants Parr have argued, Coloridge preached; Mad-ume de Stael disputed; Curran sparkled ere accustomed to meet every night to with wit and fancy, Burke conversed like was a gentleman, and was at once brilliant and a widower, and he had a charming daugh- profound-a good talker-a good listener. unmarried, and the possessor of an easy pleasant without scarility, witty without affectation, learned without pedantry, novel without falsehood." Rochefoucault says. Philippe, at last became greatly attached ohim; perhaps somewhat attached to his able in conversation, is, that every one riage was agreed upon; but as the day of ist. The dutchess of Gordon said of his

> AT It is a peculiar misfortune of women resulting from the relative position which they occupy in society, that they never can seemore than one side of a man's character. Of course, the fair side is always presented towards them, and all the darker traits and wilder extravagances are sedulously concealed on the reverse. This makes it so in making her choice for life; and this also proves the expediency, on all occasions, of he advice of some experienced counselor Many a man may shine in the soloon by his wit, taste, elegance and address, or good breeding; and yet, when he quits sosociety, and revolves upon his axis, the darker half of his day may be passed in the kennel, the stable, or the gambling-house.

PUNGENT REPORT .- Said a purse proud his wife and daughter, flaunting in velvet and furs, to a poor laborer, who was shov-

Joe, if you had not drank rum, you threw himself at the feet of his old friend; might now have been riding in my carthat he would suffer him to lead his daugh- ed a man of your talents and education

'True enough was the reply of the poor man, 'and if you had not sold rum, and ined himself generous, and tendered his hand duced me and others to become drunkards. you might have been my driver, for rum-On the Sanday following, Philippe, selling was the only business by which

A RATHER SINGULAR MARRIAGE contract you consent to take for your lawful wife was entered into in Tennessee. The wife is worth a cool fifty thousand. The husband is the rightful, owner of a magnificent do you con- goatee. The contract was as follows: Art. sent to take for your lawful husband 1st. The husband is to have no interest in the wife's estate. Art. 2d. He is not to collect any debts of the concern. Art. 3d. The beloved husband is not to chastise or control any of her servants without the caught. Sophie was his wife in spite of binds himself to pay the wife one hundred said, never had reason to regret the trick and fifty dollars per annum for board and

Diogenes has an illustration, representing John Bull comfortably sented before a fire, in a room, the walls of which are ornamented with a map of the Crimea. John A CURIOUS SURPRISE-A SEVEN YEARS is perusing an account of a "glorious vic-SLEEP -A letter from San Francisco to tory," in which 8,000 were killed or Mr. R. R. Harris, of this city, from his wounded. His glee is suddenly interruptbrother, relates a curious incident that oc- ed by the enterance of a servant, who ancurred there a short time since, which we nounces a most unwelcome visitor in the do not recollect to have seen in print .--- words, "If you please, sir, here's the tax

Some sort of charity will swallow the egg and give away the shell. Men often blush to hear of what they

were not ashamed to act. If folly were a pain there would be groan ing in every house. Opinions grounded upon prejudice are always maintained with the greatest vio-

If thou art master, be sometimes blind; if a servant, be sometimes deaf. The groat is ill saved which shames its

master. He says all he likes, shall often hear what

The lion called the sheep to ask if his head off for a fool. He called the wolf and asked him. He said "nay." He tore him he, "I have got a cold, and cannot

smell." Moral-Wise men say nothing in dangerous times.

THE THRITABLE MAN .- Hood gives p caphie picture of an irritable man thus:-He lies like a hedgehog rolled up in the wrong way, tormenting himself with his

prickles. Liberality and generosity of feeling are the surest test of a gentleman.